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Date: December 22, 2006

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir:

In response to the Office action of September 27, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 6 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.